

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 20, 2014

6:00 PM
New Albany Village Hall
99 West Main Street, New Albany

I. Call to Order

Meeting opened at approximately 6:02 pm at New Albany Village Hall with the following members present: Gary Schmidt, Don Ballard, Kasey Kist, Meera Parthasarathy (arrived at 6:06), Mike Chappellear, Rich Kight, Doug Burnip and Ron Lachey. Gary Schmidt chaired the meeting. Staff members present were Adrienne Joly, City of New Albany; Stephen Mayer, City of New Albany; Ben Collins, Plain Township; and Kevin Wheeler; City of Columbus.

II. Record of Proceedings

Mr. Mayer stated he was not able to finish the February 6, 2014 meeting's minutes due to short time between meetings. The minutes will be completed at the next meeting.

Ms. Joly said we would like to do a ceremonial item for Doug Burnip. He has been on boards in this area since 1993. This is only board that the City of New Albany staffs that has term limits for its members. Doug met his maximum term limit last June, and at the city's request, graciously decided to continue serving until a replacement was appointed. A few weeks ago Council appointed a new member, Kasey Kist, and we would want to take a few minutes to honor Doug's service. He has witnessed and guided a lot of growth in this area. We wanted to publically thank him for his service.

Mr. Burnip swore in new appointment Mr. Kist.

Mr. Burnip thanked the city for the opportunity. He thinks we have been able to make an impression on the city and help guide the city. He took a seat in the audience.

III. Old Business

A. City of New Albany Strategic Plan 2014 Update.

Staff Presentation:

Ms. Joly distributed an updated future land use map to the Accord. She provided a recap of last meeting and updated the board on changes to the map since the last meeting which includes the limited use access road through the school campus,

Mr. Chris Hermann, MKSK, presented the Powerpoint presentation to the board. Provided a history of land use changes since the city of New Albany's last Strategic plan and where this new plan differs from the Accord. The only change this board has not previously seen or approved is the area south of 161. The northern third of this residential area is proposed to be changed to office and we are happy to discuss this tonight.

Panel Discussion

Mr. Chappelear said his concern with the new office is how many residents have been notified in this area?

Ms. Joly said they have not been personally notified. The city has conducted public meeting, put information on their website. We plan for the preferred use of this property in the future.

Mr. Chappelear reiterated his concerns with notifying the residents.

Ms. Joly stated neighboring residents are notified when the property is in the process of being rezoned.

Mr. Chappelear stated he believes the residents should be notified.

Ms. Joly asked the Accord what they think is the best use for this property.

Mr. Chappelear asked Ben Collins if the Township Trustees are aware.

Mr. Collins [from audience] stated he has forwarded the email and link to view the plan to the trustee members so they have been made aware of this plan.

Ms. Parthasarathy asked if the area north of Walnut Street is already planned for office.

Mr. Chappelear asked about the road north of Swickard Woods. How would putting a road there benefit the school?

Ms. Joly explains the traffic flow patterns and options for busses traveling at the school. The connector will allow busses to stay off public roads and improve coordination for bus drop-offs. The final design and location is not certain but will be limited in some fashion.

Mr. Ballard asked about Swickard Woods.

Ms. Joly responded there are still lots of options and no lines on this map have been engineered or are final.

Mr. Lachey asks about the road connection to Windsor.

Ms. Joly said we will utilize the existing roads. There are two lots available to the city. If they are acquired then the connection would have to be engineered. The idea for this road is to provide Windsor another connection.

Mr. Lachey stated this road seems to change the character.

Ms. Joly noted that residents of Windsor were the Planning Commission meeting last night and we discussed alternative options of travel like sidewalks and leisure trails.

Mr. Kist asked if this would be a road.

Ms. Joly said it would be a road.

Mr. Kight stated he has problem procedurally and wishes he didn't have to make a recommendation. The

plan is well done, and doesn't have problem with land use, but the Accord plan is out of date.

Ms. Joly stated they can make a motion if the board feels it upholds the spirit and intent of the Accord. We respect this body's input and we wouldn't move a plan along without the Accord's recommendation. We can look into changes from the past and do a mapping exercise to document changes over time.

Mr. Schmidt stated he supports the land use plan. What is the plan for the area south of 161 and north of Dublin-Granville Road?

Ms. Joly answered it is zoned for a residential subdivision. There is a portion of land along the east side of 62, south of the fire station that can be used for commercial.

Mr. Ballard asked if the Planning Commission made a motion on the 2006 strategic plan update prior to the Accord's formal recommendation?

Ms. Joly said no. It was after. The Planning Commission has asked for a recommendation from this board prior to their formal review of this 2014 plan.

Mr. Kight suggested the Accord should make a motion stating the Accord has reviewed the strategic plan and finds the plan components consistent with the Accord as it relates to those areas.

[Inaudible discussion on the how motion should read]

Mr. Chappelle stated he cannot vote in support of the plan since the residents south of 161 have not been notified. He likes 95% of the plan, but doesn't feel comfortable voting.

Mr. Kight explained consensus if not always met and options for voting.

Mr. Ballard said we should approach this as the land use perspective.

Ms. Parthasarathy asked about community input and if the city solicited individual feedback?

Ms. Joly said the city did not sent out individual notices for a plan of this scale, but the city formed a steering committee consisting of 30+ members from various backgrounds and aspects of the community. There have been open houses, 8 focus group meetings, emails, and information was shared online. She explained zoning is where a person's vested rights are.

Mr. Schmidt commented it is unlikely the future land use will happen anytime soon or prior to the roads being constructed.

Ms. Joly read back the motion.

MOTION: The panel has reviewed the 2014 City of New Albany Strategic Plan as it relates to the Rocky Fork Blacklick Accord and finds the plans, principles, and components consistent with Accord.

MOTION BY: Mr. Kight, seconded by Mr. Schmidt

RESULT: Approved (5-1-1) (Mr. Chappelle – no; Ms. Parthasarathy – abstain)

Mr. Chappelle stated he voted against because the residents south of 161 have not been notified.

IV. Cases/Public Hearings

No review of 7427 Bevelhymer Road was conducted since the applicant was not present.

V. New Business

Mr. Mayer stated we will sign the amended bylaws during the organizational meeting next month.

VI. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 pm.